BLM - Needles Field Office

Comments submitted by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to individual grant applicants should in no way be construed as a guarantee of successful results for the applicant within the competitive grants process or a commitment of funding. Additionally, the lack of comments by the OHMVR Division to any specific applicant does not ensure successful results for the applicant within the competitive grant process or a commitment of funding.

All final applications will be reviewed by the OHMVR Division. The OHMVR Division may, at its sole discretion, decrease the requested amount and eliminate activities pursuant with regulation Section 4970.07.2 (f)(1-5) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Failure by applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary application shall be cause for eliminating that item from the applicant's application.

Please note: If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #2 Applicant must verify response.
- #4 Applicant must verify response.
- #5 Applicant must verify response.
- #8b Narrative does not support response "20 to 49 times per year". Only onsite education efforts are eligible for credit.
- #9 Applicant must verify response.

Ground Operations – General	G11-01-12-G01
Maintenance	

Project Description

No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff Identify how "Other-Resources Staff" position is project related.
- Materials / Supplies "Other-Replacement Tires" appears to be a duplicate of "Other-Trailer Maintenance, tires & Acce" listed under the 'Equipment Use Expenses' category.
- Others "Other-Travel & Training" as described in the Project Description does not appear project related. Provide more information.

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 Need to clarify the dates for the "Publicly noticed meeting(s)..." and "Meeting(s) with stakeholders". The narrative references 2010 and 2011.
- #5 The participation identified for the "Cal Wilderness Coalition" is not project related. Also, need to identify the names of the "OHV clubs" and how they will participate in the project.
- #7 "Office and Fencing Supplies" are not identified in the Project Description.
- #8 Narrative does not support a "Yes" response.

Planning - Special Recreation	G11-01-12-P01
Permitting	

Project Description

 How many applications are submitted each year, on average, for Special Recreation Permits for non-competitive OHV events and how many for competitive OHV events? Would the "streamlining" benefit both the noncompetitive OHV events and the competitive OHV events? How long would these planning documents that will be produced in this planning project remain in place and be valid (e.g., Would the planning reports need to be reviewed and updated every year?...three years?...five years?)?

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff "Other-Branch Chief" is an Indirect Cost.
- Contracts Provide more detail about the specifics of the "Environmental Consulting Firm" contract. Also, how was the amount determined?
- Materials / Supplies Provide more detail for "Misc Supplies to support Program".
- Others Provide more detail for "Travel".

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 Identify interested parties and stakeholders, and provide date(s) for "Conference call(s) ..." and "Meeting(s) with stakeholders".
- #6 Narrative does not support response "4 or more". Activities provided for partner organizations do not appear to be confirmed or are not directly related to the project.
- #7 Narrative does not support checked items "...development of OHV
 Opportunities adjacent to population centers", "...development of OHV
 Opportunities in areas that lack legal OHV Opportunities", and "...develop a
 system of designated OHV routes...".
- #8 Narrative and reference document do not support a "Yes" response.
- #10 Narrative does not support a "Yes" response.

Law Enforcement	G11-01-12-L01
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Needs Assessment

 Provide additional information related to percentage of OHV Law Enforcement time spent in Arizona and Nevada jurisdictions.

Law Enforcement Certification

No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff "Law Enforcement Officers" Provide breakdown of the number of positions and pay rate(s) in the 'Notes' section.
- Materials / Supplies "Other-Misc. Supplies" Provide breakdown of item, quantity, and rate per item in the 'Notes' section.
- Materials / Supplies "Other-Duty Gear" Provide breakdown of item, quantity, and cost per item in the 'Notes' section.
- Equipment Purchases Cost for "Other-Radio Equipment' appears high. Provide additional information.

Education & Safety	G11-01-12-S01
Project Description	

No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

- Contracts "Other-CTCU: Youth OHV Safety Rodeo" OHMVR Division pays for all youth ATV training. More information on cost is needed.
- Materials / Supplies "Other-Printer Paper", "Other-Plotter Ink Cartridge", and "Other-Plotter Roll Paper" are Indirect Costs.
- Others "Other-Travel & Training" Identify the specific training and breakdown costs into line items with quantity and rate for each training item.

Evaluation Criteria

- #2 Applicant must verify response.
- #6 Narrative does not support checked items "Conference call(s) with interested parties" and "Meeting(s) with stakeholders".
- #7 Narrative does not support checked items "Process of researching issues and audience" and "Testing process to ensure actions are effective".
- #8 Narrative does not support response "1,000 to 10,000".
- #9 Response does not appear to address the <u>average</u> time a participant will have exposure to the Project's message.
- #10 Narrative does not support checked item "Self-guided trails".